Method Statement for

Historic Alcohol Receipts

Dataset

1. Introduction

The purpose of this document is to provide information on the commitment to quality activities and procedures Revenue has put in place in respect of the production of Revenue Statistics to comply with the Irish Statistical System Code of Practice (ISSCOP).[1]

This dataset provides a historical breakdown of alcohol excise receipts by commodity.

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[1] For more information see http://www.isscop.ie/

2. General Information

Dataset Name:	Historic Alcohol Receipts
Keywords:	Domestic, Spirits, Production, Imported, Excise Receipts, Cider, Beer, Wine, Alcohol
Update Frequency:	Annual
Licence:	CC-By
Formats:	.csv, .pdf
Hyperlinks:	http://www.revenue.ie/en/corporate/information-about-revenue/statistics/excise/receipts-volume-and-price/receipts-historic-alcohol.aspx Open Data Portal**:** https://data.gov.ie/dataset/historic-alcohol-receipts
Business Owner:	Ronald Scott
Contact Information:	statistics@revenue.ie
Reference Years	Spirits: 1924-2015 Beer: 1960-2015 Cider: 1953-2015 Wine: 1932-2015
Anonymisation or aggregation required:	No, Macro-data
Geographical Scope:	National

3. Production

Coding:	Not Applicable
Data Source:	Taxpayer Returns
Imputation:	Not Applicable
Breakdown:	The data are broken down by receipts and volume for beer, spirits, cider, wine by year
Computation:	None

4. Quality

Relevance:	Data are used to: • Inform the Tax Strategy Group and the Department of Finance on budgetary decisions • Provide answers to Parliamentary Questions (PQs) and Freedom of Information (FOI) requests. • Inform policymakers and internal stakeholders and • Fulfil requests for data from academics, students, journalists and members of the public.
Accuracy & Reliability:	Data are compared with the previous year's data. Source data are input into Revenue's systems by the Collector General's area and the statistical outputs are assessed and validated are signed off by the Accountant General's area.
Timeliness & Punctuality:	An advance release schedule is provided for all datasets with anticipated publication deadline. Divergence from the notified schedule is publicised in advance, along with a new release date. See the list of Supporting Documentation below for a link to the current Revenue Statistics Publication Calendar.
Coherence and Comparability:	The dataset provides figures for net excise receipts in € millions. The data are grouped at the same granularity for all years. Where there is a deviation notes are provided. Provisional data are also identified.
Accessibility and Clarity:	Published electronically on Revenue's Website & Open Data portal This dataset is consistent with the Open Data Technical Framework: • with metadata, methodological and quality information • to Open Data 3-star Format (i.e., machine readable) and • searchable through keywords.

5. Supporting Documentation

[Revenue Statistics - Quality Statement](#)

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[Open Data Technical Framework](#)

[Irish Statistical System Code of Practice](#)